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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2189**

**PATENT**  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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## RESPONSE TO FINAL ACTION OF JUNE 13, 2006

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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Action of June 13, 2006, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.